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**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

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Executive Order 2007-07

Re-Establishing The Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council

[M07-35]

WHEREAS, Arizona's land, water, and other resources face severe impacts from harmful, unwanted, invasive plant and animal species that are increasing yearly in number and area in Arizona and throughout the Southwest, including, for example, the recent discovery of quagga mussels in Lake Mead; and

WHEREAS, these impacts include ecological damage to Arizona's natural environments, economy and human health such as: (1) decreasing land productivity; (2) impairing water quality and reducing water yield; (3) increasing instances of livestock poisoning; (4) degrading fish and wildlife habitat; (5) impairing forest and rangeland health by altering natural or desired fire regimes; (6) creating disease vectors; (7) increasing allergens; (8) increasing erosion and watershed degradation; (9) altering landscapes that affect visual aesthetics; and (10) destroying agricultural crops, wetlands, waterways, and recreational areas; and

WHEREAS, prevention, early detection, rapid response, and eradication are the most effective and least costly strategies to combat new biological invaders before they expand beyond control; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the above strategies requires leadership by the State of Arizona and coordination with federal, tribal, international, and local partners and other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 2005-09, the Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council ("AISAC") identified invasive species as an immediate threat to the State and that Council's report has put Arizona in a position to take a lead nationally in invasive species management;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby order as follows:

1. The consensus definition of invasive species developed by the AISAC pursuant to Executive Order 2005-09 is hereby adopted as an advisory, non-regulatory definition for Arizona's Executive Branch agencies. Pursuant to that definition, an invasive species is defined as: "A species that is (1) non-native to the ecosystem under consideration and, (2) whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health."
2. The AISAC is hereby re-established, and shall serve as a new, permanent Advisory Council that shall be chaired under the joint leadership of the Arizona Game and Fish Department and Arizona Department of Agriculture. It shall consist initially of twenty-one (21) members to advise the State regarding planning and implementation of invasive species policy for Arizona
3. Members of the AISAC shall be appointed by, and serve without compensation at the pleasure of, the Governor. The Governor may appoint additional members as deemed necessary.
4. Members of the Governor's AISAC may, with the Governor's permission, send designees to serve on the council; provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the member with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member.
5. AISAC shall include the Directors (or their designees) of the following State agencies and these entities shall be considered the AISAC Executive Committee:

- Arizona Game and Fish Department
 - Arizona Department of Agriculture
 - Arizona Department of Transportation
 - Arizona Department of Water Resources
 - Arizona State Land Department
 - Arizona State Parks
 - Arizona Department of Health Services
 - University in Arizona
 - Office of the Governor
6. AISAC shall also include representation from each of the following entities:
- Native American community
 - Agricultural interests
 - Conservation community
 - Forest health management interests
 - Ranching industry
 - Nursery and landscape industry
 - Pet industry
 - Cooperative Weed Management Areas, invasive species councils, or vegetation management associations
 - Federal agencies with an interest in invasive species
 - Academic community and University Cooperative Extension
 - Other members as deemed appropriate by the Governor
7. AISAC shall develop a comprehensive statewide invasive species management plan for Arizona based upon the framework recommended in the report, “Arizona’s Invasive Species Situation: unwanted plants and animals – June, 2006” (“Report”). As recommended in the Report, the framework shall center around five focal strategic concepts:
- Leadership and Coordination
 - Research and Information Management
 - Anticipation and Outreach
 - Control and Management
 - Funding
- This comprehensive statewide invasive species management plan should also provide guidance and identify expertise for the recommendations outlined in the Report.
8. The Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council shall submit this comprehensive statewide invasive species management plan for review and evaluation to the Governor by June 30, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 24th day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-First.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS WEEK ***

[M07-33]

WHEREAS, many forms of legalized gaming exist in Arizona, including the Arizona Lottery, Indian gaming and pari-mutuel racing; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's Indian gaming provides substantial funds for problem gambling programs throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Gaming's Office of Problem Gambling administers problem gambling funds for programs for problem gamblers and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Lottery has, since 1998, had a formal statewide responsible gambling program; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Council on Compulsive Gambling, Inc., an Arizona Non-Profit has provided compulsive gambling education, awareness and prevention programs in Arizona since 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Legislature beginning in 1999 has continuously appropriated Arizona Lottery revenues to be used specifically for problem gambling programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Council on Problem Gambling and the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators have declared the week of March 5-March 11, 2007, as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, through programming and education, potential and existing gambling-related problems can be addressed by both individuals, organizations and state and tribal governments; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona supports and endorses Problem Gambling education, awareness and prevention programs;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Governor Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 5-11, 2007 as

*** ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS WEEK ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-second day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** ARIZONA CAPITOL TIMES 100 YEARS CELEBRATION DAY ***

[M07-34]

WHEREAS, the Arizona Capitol Times, previously known as *The Messenger*, was a weekly court and commercial newspaper, evolving into the newspaper serving the Capitol community named *Legislative Review*, and finally in 1975 named the Arizona Capitol Times; and

WHEREAS, the coverage by the Arizona Capitol Times includes focus sections that give readers a close look at issues affecting Arizona public policy, major organizations within our communities, and charitable giving; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Capitol Times is the umbrella for print and electronic services such as The Legislative Report, The Yellow Sheet, and Legislation on Line Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Capitol Times also produces the Government Resource Directory, Citizen Government, Guide to the Legislature, Arizona Property Tax, How a Bill Becomes a Law, and legislative maps; and

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WHEREAS, the Arizona Capitol Times is an award winning weekly newspaper that covers Arizona government, politics, and legislative news for Arizona business and citizenry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim January 31, 2007 as

*** ARIZONA CAPITOL TIMES 100 YEARS CELEBRATION DAY ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-second day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** ELKS LODGE BLOOD DRIVE MONTH ***

[M07-36]

WHEREAS, there are over 1.1 million members in more than 2,100 Elks lodges nationwide, and many in Arizona who are sponsoring a month long blood drive in March; and

WHEREAS, at any given time, our nation only has approximately ten days worth of blood supply, and supplies of blood for those having A positive, AB positive, and all negative blood types are especially critical; and

WHEREAS, blood is literally a lifesaver for those who have been in accidents or need it to survive operations or treatments; and

WHEREAS, over 9,000 units of blood are needed daily within the nation and red cells only last for 35 days and blood platelets for five days, thereby necessitating a constant supply of fresh blood; and

WHEREAS, to support the need and effort of donating blood, the Elks Lodge organization is promoting a blood drive and encouraging everyone to donate blood;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of Arizona do hereby proclaim the month of March 2007 as

*** ELKS LODGE BLOOD DRIVE MONTH ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty fourth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

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*** STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN DAY ***

[M07-37]

WHEREAS, one in three women will be a victim of domestic violence in her lifetime and one in five women will be a victim of sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, women of every race, culture, religion, ability and socioeconomic background are vulnerable to violence; and

WHEREAS, interpersonal violence is the tenth leading cause of death and the leading cause of injury in women ages 15 to 44; and

WHEREAS, violence against women is a public health and safety issue that has an enormous economical, psychological and sociological impact on our culture; and

WHEREAS, by working together---both as individuals and communities---to actively raise awareness, meet the needs of victims and hold offenders accountable we have the power and ability to stop violence against women;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 14, 2007 as

*** STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN DAY ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty fourth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK ***

[M07-38]

WHEREAS, 1 in 5 female high school students reports being physically abused or sexually abused by a dating partner; and

WHEREAS, over 40 percent of male and female high school students surveyed had been victims of dating violence at least once; and

WHEREAS, violent relationships in adolescence can have serious ramifications for victims, who are at higher risk for substance abuse, eating disorders, risky sexual behavior, suicide, and adult re-victimization; and

WHEREAS, the severity of violence among intimate partners has been shown to increase if the pattern was established in adolescence; and

WHEREAS, 81 percent of parents surveyed either believed dating violence is not a problem or admitted they did not know it is a problem;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim the week of February 5, 2007 as

*** TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK ***

in the State of Arizona, and urge our citizens to recognize this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

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Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-fifth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK ***

[M07-39]

WHEREAS, school counselors are employed in public and private schools to help students reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, school counselors are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests, and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development; and

WHEREAS, school counselors help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal and social growth of their children; and

WHEREAS, school counselors work with teachers and other educators to help students explore their potential and set goals for themselves; and

WHEREAS, comprehensive developmental school counseling programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in school;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Governor Napolitano of Arizona do hereby proclaim February 5-9, 2007 as

*** SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty fifth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

*** ARIZONA BLACK HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY ***

[M07-40]

WHEREAS, to date, over 19,179 citizens of Arizona have HIV/AIDS- although less than 10% of these citizens infected are African Americans; and, in Arizona the Black community makes up only 3.4% of the population but account for 9.6% of the total population of emergent HIV infection rate; and, African American men and women are among the hardest hit populations in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, we know Black HIV/AIDS Day can help to mobilize our communities to help improve these statistics; and

WHEREAS, African American Hispanic Health Education Resource Center (AAHHERC) has hosted other well attended public health forums in the Phoenix area;

WHEREAS, AAHHERC has received numerous awards of recognition and proclamations for the vital services provided to

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the residents of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Arizona are concerned with the rate of infection in our communities and are working to support this campaign;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of Arizona, do hereby proclaim February 7, 2007

*** ARIZONA BLACK HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY ***

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano
G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty fifth day of January in the year Two Thousand and Seven.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State